



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

THOMAS C. CARIO MIDDLE

Charleston

Grades: 6-8

Enrollment: 1,249

Principal: Shari D. Bouis

Superintendent: Dr. Nancy J. McGinley

Board Chair: Mrs. Ruth Jordan

PERFORMANCE

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD | | AYP STATUS | NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS |
|------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|
| | | | General Performance | Closing the Gap | | |
| 2010 | Excellent | Excellent | TBD | TBD | Met | N/A |
| 2009 | Excellent | Average | Gold | N/A | Met | N/A |
| 2008 | Good | Below Average | N/A | N/A | Not Met | N/A |

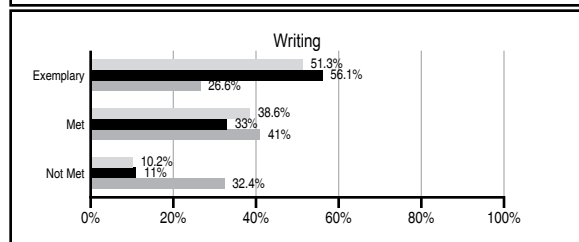
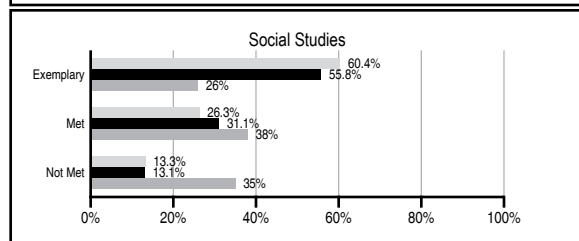
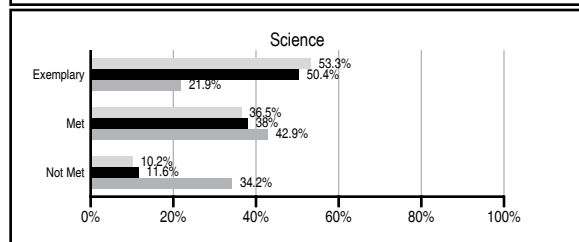
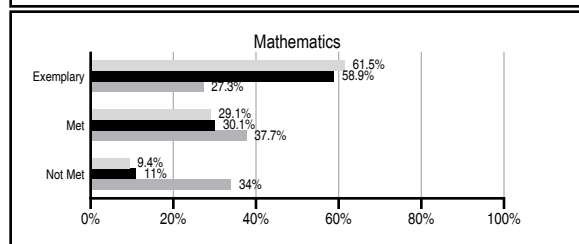
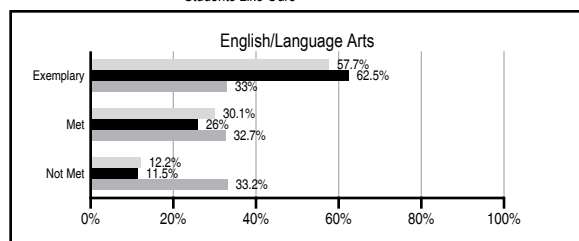
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

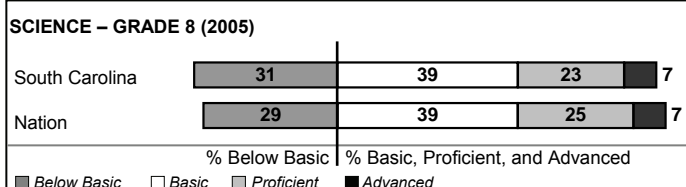
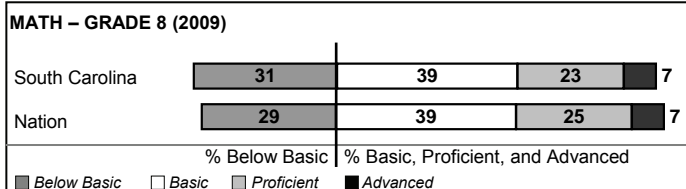
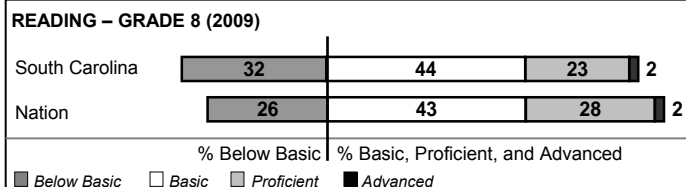
PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010

| % of students scoring 70 or above on: | Our Middle School | Middle Schools with Students Like Ours |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2 | 99.5 | 99.9 |
| English 1 | N/A | 99.5 |
| Physical Science | N/A | N/A |
| US History and the Constitution | N/A | N/A |
| All Subjects | 99.5 | 99.7 |

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

| | Our School | Change from Last Year | Middle Schools with Students Like Ours | Median Middle School |
|--|------------|-----------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Students (n=1,249) | | | | |
| Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8) | 55.6% | Up from 45.5% | 50.9% | 24.2% |
| Retention rate | 0.5% | Down from 0.8% | 0.4% | 0.7% |
| Attendance rate | 94.7% | Down from 95.6% | 96.5% | 95.9% |
| Eligible for gifted and talented | 39.5% | Up from 33.2% | 38.4% | 16.4% |
| With disabilities other than speech | 7.1% | Up from 6.7% | 6.9% | 12.0% |
| Older than usual for grade | 0.7% | Down from 0.8% | 0.5% | 2.2% |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 2.2% | Up from 1.9% | 0.2% | 0.5% |
| Annual dropout rate | 0.0% | No Change | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Teachers (n=71) | | | | |
| Teachers with advanced degrees | 43.7% | Up from 41.3% | 62.6% | 58.5% |
| Continuing contract teachers | 77.5% | Up from 68.0% | 82.3% | 80.0% |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates | 1.7% | Down from 3.0% | 2.3% | 4.0% |
| Teachers returning from previous year | 86.1% | Up from 82.6% | 89.2% | 84.6% |
| Teacher attendance rate | 95.9% | Up from 92.9% | 94.1% | 95.4% |
| Average teacher salary* | \$44,166 | Up 0.5% | \$47,968 | \$46,561 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers | 5.3% | Up from 4.2% | 0.6% | 1.3% |
| Professional development days/teacher | 12.8 days | Up from 11.9 days | 8.1 days | 10.2 days |
| School | | | | |
| Principal's years at school | 3.0 | Up from 2.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects | 27.5 to 1 | Up from 25.0 to 1 | 22.2 to 1 | 21.1 to 1 |
| Prime instructional time | 89.6% | Up from 87.2% | 90.1% | 90.4% |
| Opportunities in the arts | Excellent | No Change | Excellent | Good |
| SACS accreditation | No | No Change | Yes | Yes |
| Parents attending conferences | 95.7% | Down from 100.0% | 99.6% | 98.1% |
| Character development program | Excellent | No Change | Excellent | Good |
| Dollars spent per pupil** | \$5,571 | Up 6.3% | \$6,335 | \$7,802 |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction** | 73.6% | Down from 73.9% | 66.1% | 63.8% |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries** | 68.1% | Up from 65.7% | 64.5% | 60.0% |
| % of AYP objectives met | 100.0% | No Change | 95.2% | 92.3% |

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

| | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned | 69 | 387 | 226 |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment | 85.3% | 70.2% | 80.4% |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 92.8% | 77.9% | 79.9% |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations | 89.7% | 87.2% | 71.7% |

*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Cario Middle School continues its tradition of excellence in academics, arts, athletics, and extracurricular activities. Cario is a highly successful middle school with a large campus, a small-school atmosphere, and huge opportunities for students. On the 2009 state school report card, Cario earned an "Excellent" rating and met all annual yearly progress (AYP) goals. Our students have shown growth in reading, mathematics, and language usage through their Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) scores and have also consistently demonstrated mastery of rigorous academic standards. Cario provides a quality honors program at all grade levels, as well as a structured system of interventions for students who need academic assistance. Students have opportunities to earn high school credits and may take exploratory courses such as Spanish, pre-engineering, health, drama, and fitness. Cario has one of the highest percentages of students identified as gifted and talented (GT) in CCSD. Cario students competed in academic challenges such as the SC Science Olympiad (2nd place in the state), American Mathematics Competition, Math Counts competition (1st place in the region; 4th place in the state), Mu Alpha Theta Math Competition (1st place), CCSD Spellbound Spelling Bee, Quest (1st place in level 2 math; 3rd place overall), and National Geographic Geography Bee.

Cario students excel in both the arts and athletics. The Cario Chorus was named 2010 SC Choral Festival State Champions, and Cario is the only school in South Carolina to have students selected to every regional and national honor choir since 2000. Orchestra students received superior ratings at the SC Concert Festival. Cario's band received the state's Outstanding Performance Award for the ninth consecutive year and earned superior ratings at the SC Concert Festival. Visual artists have earned numerous awards, including two first place ribbons at Trident Technical College's Quest competition. Drama students were involved in several productions during the year. Cario teams competed in football, volleyball, cheerleading, soccer, tennis, swimming, golf, baseball, and softball. Student council sponsored multiple community service projects, and the yearbook staff produced a high-quality publication.

The Cario staff has participated in on-going professional development (PD) in order to meet the needs of our students. PD focused on active engagement in the learning process, implementation of the CCSD Coherent Curriculum, an advisory program for students, instructional technology, positive behavioral interventions and supports, and differentiated instruction based on students' needs. Cario's staff includes eleven members who have earned National Board Certification and ten teachers with GT endorsements. Forty-one percent of faculty members hold advanced degrees.

Cario Middle School uses the Making Middle Grades Work model to implement positive changes in our school. We recognize the importance of high expectations, rigorous academics, and a safe, supportive learning environment for all students. As partners in education, our faculty and staff, parents, and community members support and actively participate in making Cario Middle School a model for educational excellence.

Shari Bouis, Principal
Ryan Giles, SIC Chair

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